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Sir:

Responsive to the Non-Final Official Action dated January 27, 2010, the applicant(s) respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including (1) an English language translation of the Japanese Patent Application No. JP2003-435943, and (2) a statement that the translation of the foreign priority document is accurate is attached following page 11 of this paper.